# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Case: 2: 23-cr-20261 Assigned To: Murphy, Stephen J., III

Referral Judge: Grand, David R.

Assign. Date: 5/3/2023

Description: INFO USA V. REID (DA)

Plaintiff,

Violations: 26 U.S.C. § 7206(2)

[5 Counts]

D-1, ANN REID,

v.

Defendant.

# **INFORMATION**

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:

## **COUNT ONE**

(Aiding, Assisting and Procuring the Preparation and Presentation of False and Fraudulent Returns -- 26 U.S.C. § 7206(2))

D-1, Ann Reid,

On or about <u>February 26, 2019</u>, in the Eastern District of Michigan, ANN REID did willfully aid, assist, procure, counsel, and advise the preparation and presentation to the Internal Revenue Service of a U.S. Individual Tax Return, Form 1040, for an individual identified as <u>UCA Taxpayer M.F.</u> for the calendar year <u>2018</u>. The return was false and fraudulent as to a material matter because the return falsely represented that the taxpayer operated a small business that had earned income and had allowable business losses, as further reflected on the

Schedule C attached to the taxpayer's <u>2018</u> return, which the taxpayer could properly claim as a tax deduction, when, in fact, the taxpayer had not operated a small business that earned income and had allowable business losses to support a tax deduction, all of which resulted in an inaccurate computation of the taxpayer's taxable income and led the Internal Revenue Service to incorrectly believe the taxpayer was entitled to a miscalculated, larger refund. At the time of the offense, REID knew that the taxpayer had not operated a small business and had not incurred the business losses for which the taxpayer had improperly claimed a tax deduction within the return; all in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7206(2).

## **COUNT TWO**

(Aiding, Assisting and Procuring the Preparation and Presentation of False and Fraudulent Returns -- 26 U.S.C. § 7206(2))

D-1, Ann Reid,

On or about <u>January 25, 2016</u>, in the Eastern District of Michigan, ANN REID did willfully aid, assist, procure, counsel, and advise the preparation and presentation to the Internal Revenue Service of a U.S. Individual Tax Return, Form 1040, for <u>Taxpayer C.A.</u> for the calendar year <u>2015</u>. The return was false and fraudulent as to a material matter because the return falsely represented that the taxpayer operated a small business that had earned income and had allowable business losses, as further reflected on the Schedule C attached to the taxpayer's

2015 return, which the taxpayer could properly claim as a tax deduction, when, in fact, the taxpayer had not operated a small business that earned income and had allowable business losses to support a tax deduction, all of which resulted in an inaccurate computation of the taxpayer's taxable income and led the Internal Revenue Service to incorrectly believe the taxpayer was entitled to a miscalculated, larger refund. At the time of the offense, REID knew that the taxpayer had not operated a small business and had not incurred the business losses for which the taxpayer had improperly claimed a tax deduction within the return; all in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7206(2).

#### **COUNT THREE**

(Aiding, Assisting and Procuring the Preparation and Presentation of False and Fraudulent Returns -- 26 U.S.C. § 7206(2))

D-1, Ann Reid,

On or about March 14, 2017, in the Eastern District of Michigan, ANN REID did willfully aid, assist, procure, counsel, and advise the preparation and presentation to the Internal Revenue Service of a U.S. Individual Tax Return, Form 1040, for *Taxpayer C.B.* for the calendar year *2016*. The return was false and fraudulent as to a material matter because the return falsely represented that the taxpayer operated a small business that had earned income and had allowable business losses, as further reflected on the Schedule C attached to the taxpayer's *2016* return, which the taxpayer could properly claim as a tax deduction, when, in

fact, the taxpayer had not operated a small business that earned income and had allowable business losses to support a tax deduction, all of which resulted in an inaccurate computation of the taxpayer's taxable income and led the Internal Revenue Service to incorrectly believe the taxpayer was entitled to a miscalculated, larger refund. At the time of the offense, REID knew that the taxpayer had not operated a small business and had not incurred the business losses for which the taxpayer had improperly claimed a tax deduction within the return; all in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7206(2).

#### **COUNT FOUR**

(Aiding, Assisting and Procuring the Preparation and Presentation of False and Fraudulent Returns -- 26 U.S.C. § 7206(2))

D-1, Ann Reid,

On or about March 3, 2018, in the Eastern District of Michigan, ANN REID did willfully aid, assist, procure, counsel, and advise the preparation and presentation to the Internal Revenue Service of a U.S. Individual Tax Return, Form 1040, for *Taxpayer D.M.* for the calendar year 2017. The return was false and fraudulent as to a material matter because the return falsely represented that the taxpayer operated a small business that had earned income and had allowable business losses, as further reflected on the Schedule C attached to the taxpayer's 2017 return, which the taxpayer could properly claim as a tax deduction, when, in fact, the taxpayer had not operated a small business that earned income and had

allowable business losses to support a tax deduction, all of which resulted in an inaccurate computation of the taxpayer's taxable income and led the Internal Revenue Service to incorrectly believe the taxpayer was entitled to a miscalculated, larger refund. At the time of the offense, REID knew that the taxpayer had not operated a small business and had not incurred the business losses for which the taxpayer had improperly claimed a tax deduction within the return; all in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7206(2).

#### **COUNT FIVE**

(Aiding, Assisting and Procuring the Preparation and Presentation of False and Fraudulent Returns -- 26 U.S.C. § 7206(2))

D-1, Ann Reid,

On or about February 20, 2019, in the Eastern District of Michigan, REID did willfully aid, assist, procure, counsel, and advise the preparation and presentation to the Internal Revenue Service of a U.S. Individual Tax Return, Form 1040, for *Taxpayer L.O.* for the calendar year 2018. The return was false and fraudulent as to a material matter because the return falsely represented that the taxpayer operated a small business that had earned income and had allowable business losses, as further reflected on the Schedule C attached to the taxpayer's 2018 return, which the taxpayer could properly claim as a tax deduction, when, in fact, the taxpayer had not operated a small business that earned income and had allowable business losses to support a tax deduction, all of which resulted in an

Revenue Service to incorrectly believe the taxpayers were entitled to a miscalculated, larger refund. At the time of the offense, REID knew that the taxpayer had not operated a small business and had not incurred the business losses for which the taxpayer had improperly claimed a tax deduction within the return; all in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7206(2).

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